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SUBJCT: RHODESIA: USG STATEMENT ON LEGALITY OF TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 1263 (NOTAL)

1. REFTEL REPORTED NYERERE'S PRAISE FOR OWEN'S MARCH 22 STATEMENT IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS THAT "HMG CONSIDERS THE NEW EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO BE ILLEGAL, AS WAS THE PREVIOUS REGIME." REFTEL SUGGESTED USG CONSIDER SIMILAR LANGUAGE.

2. AT NOON BRIEFING MARCH 27, SPOKESMAN, IN RESPONSE TO
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A QUESTION ON U.S. ATTITUDE TOWARD "INTERNAL SETTLEMENT," NOTED THAT, "...THE SALISBURY REGIME IS REGARDED BY THE BRITISH AND US AS AN ILLEGAL REGIME. THEREFORE, ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS IT MAKES OF THE KIND WE ARE TALKING ABOUT (THE SALISBURY AGREEMENT) ARE ALSO ILLEGAL."

3. AT YOUR DISCRETION, YOU MAY WISH TO CALL THIS STATE-

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